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## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

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This declaration is submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 prior to the final rejection of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/347,690 (the "Application") to establish the confidential and proprietary nature of the reference: Khaira et al., "Logic Verification Using Shark", Intel Design and Test Technology Conference, pp. 259-264, July 1997 (hereinafter "Khaira").

- I, Billie Warrick, do hereby declare:
- 1. I have been an employee of Intel Corporation, the assignee of the Application, since 1991.
- 2. My job duties currently include acting as a Program Manager for Intel Corporation Design and Test Technology Conferences. I was also employed in this capacity as an employee of Intel Corporation during 1997.
- 3. During July of the year 1997 I acted as the Program Manager for the Intel Corporation Design and Test Technology Conference (hereinafter the "Conference") wherein the material of Khaira was presented (hereinafter the "Khaira Presentation Materials").
- 4. During Intel Corporation Design and Test Technology Conferences, many security measures are employed to maintain the proprietary nature of the materials presented. In the case of the Khaira Presentation Materials and the Conference, the following specific

measures were used:

- a) Security guards were employed to ensure that only Intel Corporation employees were permitted in the areas designated for the Conference at the Arizona Biltmore Hotel in Phoenix, Arizona. Employees were required to wear their Intel Blue Badges and the conference registration identifier, which designated them, not only as Intel Blue Badge employees, but also as those that had been specifically invited to attend the Conference.
- b) Regular searches and room sweeps were conducted to ensure that no confidential material was left in any public places.
- c) Distribution of conference materials in general, and the Khaira Presentation Materials in particular, were controlled by publication under Yellow Cover Document (Intel Secret) designation. Each document was numbered and specifically assigned to each individual receiver prior to the Conference and distributed at registration when proper identification was produced.
- d) All conference publication material was printed within Intel, transported in trucks that were sealed at Intel under Intel Security supervision and unsealed at the Arizona Biltmore Hotel under Intel Security supervision. The room they were stored in at the Conference was rekeyed specifically for the Conference, with a very limited number of Intel conference managers and Intel Security persons having keys. Additionally, the room was kept under 24 hour/day watch by Intel Security.
- 5. Currently, the Khaira Presentation Materials are maintained in confidence as part of an Intel proprietary database. Only certain Intel employees have access to this database. Other Intel employees, residents of certain foreign countries, are not allowed to access this database, including the Khaira Presentation Materials.

- 6. Since July 1997, the Khaira Presentation Materials have been considered, and are currently considered, to be proprietary and confidential by Intel, and have therefore not been attached to this document.
- 7. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

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